

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-44. (Canceled.)

45. (Previously Presented) A flocked article, comprising:

a plurality of flock fibers;

an elastic film having first and second sides, the elastic film comprising rubber and/or an elastomer;

a first thermoset adhesive layer bonded to the first side of the elastic film and to the plurality of flock fibers, the first thermoset adhesive layer being substantially continuously distributed over the first side of the elastic film and fully activated; and

a second thermoplastic adhesive layer bonded to the second side of the elastic film, the second adhesive layer comprising a plurality of void spaces.

46. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 45, wherein the second adhesive layer is substantially discontinuously distributed over the second side of the elastic film, wherein the void spaces expose the second side of the elastic film, and further comprising:

a carrier; and

a release adhesive deposited upon the carrier, wherein the plurality of flock fibers are releasably attached to the release adhesive.

47. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 45, wherein the elastic film has a modulus of elasticity of less than about 11.25 lb/ft and more than about 0.5 lb/ft.

48. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 45, wherein the elastic film has an elongation of at least about 200%.

49. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 45, wherein the elastic film is a thermosetting elastomer and has a recovery of at least about 75% after being stretched to 100% of the film's length and allowed to retract freely.

50. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 45, wherein the elastic film is at least one of a rubber, styrene-butadiene copolymer, neoprene, polyisoprene, polyester, polyamide, polypropylene, polyethylene, and polyurethane.

51. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 45, wherein the elastic film is a thermoplastic polyurethane.

52. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 45, wherein the elastic film is a fully thermoset elastomer.

53. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 45, wherein the elastic film has a thickness ranging from about 1 to about 25 mils.

54. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 45, wherein the first adhesive layer is free of discontinuities.

55. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 45, wherein the second adhesive layer is elastomeric, and further comprising:

a substrate bonded to the second adhesive layer, the second adhesive layer being positioned between the elastic film and substrate, wherein the substrate is at least one of elastic

and elastomeric, and wherein the elastic film has an elasticity the same as or greater than an elasticity of the substrate.

56. (Currently Amended) The article of claim 45, wherein the first adhesive layer is selected from the group consisting ~~essentially~~ of polyethylene, butryals, acrylates, aldehydes, polyurethanes, phenolics, alkyds, amino resins, polyesters, epoxides, silicones, and mixtures thereof.

57. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 45, wherein the first adhesive layer has a thickness ranging from about 1 to about 10 mils.

58. (Currently Amended) The article of claim 45, wherein the second adhesive layer is selected from the group consisting ~~essentially~~ of polyethylenes, isobutylenes, polyesters, polyurethanes, polyamides, poly(vinyl acetate), and mixtures thereof.

59. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 45, wherein the second adhesive layer has a thickness ranging from about 1 to about 25 mils.

60. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 45, wherein the second adhesive layer is porous and the first adhesive layer is nonporous.

61. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 55, wherein the second adhesive layer is a hot melt polyester web adhesive.

62. (Previously Presented) An article, comprising:
a plurality of flock fibers;
an elastic film having first and second sides, wherein the elastic film comprises rubber and/or an elastomeric material and wherein at least one of the following is true: (i) the elastic

film has a modulus of elasticity of less than about 11.25 lb/ft and more than about 0.5 lb/ft, (ii) the elastic film has an elongation of at least about 200%, and (iii) the elastic film has a recovery of at least about 75% after being stretched to 100% of the film's length and allowed to retract freely; and

a first thermosetting adhesive layer bonded to the first side of the elastic film and to the plurality of flock fibers, the first thermosetting adhesive layer being fully activated.

63. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 62, further comprising:
a second thermoplastic adhesive layer bonded to the second side of the elastic film, wherein the first adhesive layer is continuous while the second adhesive layer is discontinuous.

64. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 63, wherein (i) is true.

65. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 63, wherein (ii) is true.

66. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 63, wherein (iii) is true.

67. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 62, wherein the elastic film is a fully thermoset elastomer.

68. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 62, wherein the first adhesive layer is free of discontinuities.

69. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 63, wherein the second adhesive layer includes first and second intersecting sets of filaments, the members of the first set of filaments being transverse to the members of the second set of filaments and wherein holes are located between adjacent members of the first and second set of filaments.

70. (Currently Amended) The article of claim 63, wherein the first adhesive layer is selected from the group consisting essentially of polyethylene, butyrls, acrylates, aldehydes, polyurethanes, phenolics, alkyds, amino resins, polyesters, epoxides, silicones, and mixtures thereof.

71. (Currently Amended) The article of claim 70, wherein the second adhesive layer is selected from the group consisting essentially of polyethylenes, isobutylenes, polyesters, polyurethanes, polyamides, poly(vinyl acetate), and mixtures thereof and wherein the second adhesive layer is porous and the first adhesive layer is nonporous.

72. (Previously Presented) An article manufactured by steps, comprising:

(a) contacting flock with a pre-formed and self-supporting first permanent adhesive layer, the first permanent adhesive layer being a thermosetting adhesive;

(b) contacting the first permanent adhesive layer with an elastic film, the flock and first permanent adhesive layer being located on a common side of the elastic film, wherein at least one of the following is true:

(i) the elastic film has a modulus of elasticity of less than about 11.25 lb/ft and more than about 0.5 lb/ft,

(ii) the elastic film has an elongation of at least about 200%, and

(iii) the elastic film has a recovery of at least about 75% after being stretched to 100% of the film's length and allowed to retract freely; and

(c) when the first permanent adhesive layer is in contact with the flock and elastic film, fully activating the first permanent adhesive layer, whereby the first permanent adhesive layer is fully thermoset; and

(d) contacting the elastic film with a second adhesive layer, wherein the second adhesive layer is thermoplastic and wherein the first and second adhesive layers are located on opposing sides of the elastic film.

73. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 72, wherein contacting steps (a), (b), and (c) are performed substantially simultaneously.

74. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 73, wherein each of the first permanent adhesive layer, elastic film, and second permanent adhesive layer are preformed before the contacting steps (a), (b), (c), and (d).

75. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 73, wherein the flock is adhered to a release adhesive located on a carrier before the contacting step (a) and wherein the first adhesive layer is continuous while the second adhesive layer is discontinuous.

76. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 72, wherein (i) is true.

77. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 72, wherein (ii) is true.

78. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 72, wherein (iii) is true.

79. (Currently Amended) The article of claim 73, wherein the first adhesive layer is selected from the group consisting essentially of polyethylene, butyrials, acrylates, aldehydes, polyurethanes, phenolics, alkyds, amino resins, polyesters, epoxides, silicones, and mixtures thereof, wherein the second adhesive layer is selected from the group consisting essentially of polyethylenes, isobutylenes, polyesters, polyurethanes, polyamides, poly(vinyl acetate), and mixtures thereof, and wherein the second adhesive layer is porous and the first adhesive layer is nonporous.

80. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 72, wherein the second adhesive layer includes first and second intersecting sets of filaments, the members of the first set of filaments

being transverse to the members of the second set of filaments and wherein holes are located between adjacent members of the first and second set of filaments.

81. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 72, wherein the second adhesive layer is porous while the first adhesive layer is not porous.